

REMARKS

Claim Amendments

Applicants file this amended to correct certain claim dependencies as a result of the Examiner's Amendment. Claims 73, 74, 75, and 76 have been re-written in independent form and include the subject matter of claim 47 (as it stood before the Examiner's Amendment). These claims are newly added as independent claims 82, 90, 98, and 106. Dependent claims of similar scope to claims 48-51, 55, 56, and 62 were added to the new independent claims. Applicants have cancelled claims 73-76.

Additionally claims 73, 74, 75, and 76 have been re-written in independent form and include the subject matter of claim 59 (as it stood before the Examiner's amendment). These claims have been added as independent claims 114-117. The table below identifies the claim numbers and the numbering of the claims as of Applicants' 7 Nov. 2007 response. No new matter has been added.

New Claims	Old Claims
1-46	Canceled
47	47+23
48-51	48-51
52-54	Canceled
55	55
56	56
57	57+23
58-61	Canceled
62	62
63-81	Canceled
82	47+73
83	48
84	49
85	50
86	51
87	55
88	56
89	62
90	47+74
91	48
92	49
93	50
94	51

New Claims	Old Claims
95	55
96	56
97	62
98	47+75
99	48
100	49
101	50
102	51
103	55
104	56
105	62
106	47+76
107	48
108	49
109	50
110	51
111	55
112	56
112	62
114	57+73
115	57+74
116	57+75
117	57+76

In addition, claim 62 has been amended to correct a typographical error. The number "4" incorrectly appeared instead of "∞."

Remarks

Applicants have acknowledged, but do not agree or acquiesce to, the Statement of the Interview and the reasons for the Examiner's Amendment. Applicants accept the claims as allowed, however, file this amendment to correct certain claim dependency without changing the scope of the claims. This Amendment shall not be construed as an admission by Applicants to the Examiner's statements; nor shall this amendment prejudice the Applicants' right to pursue other subject matter of the present invention in one or more continuation applications.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 19-5425.

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